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### MAIN IDEA

All devotion for God is motivated by an understanding of God's love for us.

## What is Love?

- A deep affection for or enjoyment of (Feeling)
- A great interest or pleasure in (Thought)
- An unselfish concern for the good of another (Action)

## OUTLINE

1. The Commandments 11. The Source III. The Response





### The Commandments

to Love



### And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

Matthew 22:37 ESV

# This is the great and first commandment.

### Matthew 22:38 ESV

# And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Matthew 22:39 ESV

# On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22:40 ESV

Agape Love

- Selfless, sacrificial, and unconditional
- More than a feeling
- Demonstrated by Christ's love on the cross



### The Commandments

to Love





The Source of Love



#### Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

1 John 4:7 ESV

#### As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

John 15:9 ESV

If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

John 15:10 ESV



The Source of Love





The Response to Love

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# We love because he first loved us.

1 John 4:19 ESV

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#### Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven-for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little.

Luke 7:47 ESV

Two Responses to Love

- Spontaneous
- Deliberate



The Response to Love



### CONCLUSION

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